

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5515

As of February 17, 2015

Title: An act relating to excluding retirement as a subject of collective bargaining for individual providers under chapter 74.39A RCW

Brief Description: Excluding retirement as a subject of collective bargaining for individual providers under chapter 74.39A RCW.

Sponsors: Senators Braun and Baumgartner.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Commerce & Labor: 2/18/15.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

Staff: Mac Nicholson (786-7445)

Background: Home care individual providers are individuals who have contracted with the Department of Social and Health Services to provide personal care or respite care services to functionally disabled persons or to provide respite care or residential services and support to persons with developmental disabilities. Individual providers are also considered public employees solely for collective bargaining purposes and can bargain wages, hours, and working conditions with the Governor.

Summary of Bill: Retirement benefits for individual providers are not subject to collective bargaining.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on February 17, 2015.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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